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PRODUCTS

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1. THE FINANCE MINISTER HAS SIGNED A
CONVENTION WITH THE STATE SECRETARIES OF
FINANCE UNDER WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL STATES
WILL BE ALLOWED TO WITHDRAW AS OF JANUARY 1,
1977 THE ICM TAX CREDIT ON A LIST OF 48
EXPORT PRODUCTS. AMONG THE PRODUCTS
AFFECTED ARE SOYBEAN OIL, LEATHER HANDBAGS,
AND NON-RUBBER FOOTWEAR, PRODUCTS WHICH WERE
COVERED BY THE SIMON-SIMONSEN AGREEMENT. THE
COMPLETE LIST OF PRODUCTS FOLLOWS BY
SEPARATE AIRGRAM.

2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH NO PUBLIC EXPLANATION WAS GIVEN FOR THE WITHDRAWL OF THESE INCENTIVES, THE MAJOR REASON FOR THIS ACTION --IN ADDITION TO THE SIMON-SIMONSEN AGREE-MENT WHICH AFFECTED SOYBEAN OIL, NON-RUBBER FOOTWEAR AND LEATHER HANDBAGS--WAS THE POOR CONDITION OF THE FINANCIAL SITUATION OF THE STATES. STATE SECRETARIES OF FINANCE, UNCLASSIFIED

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PARTICULARLY THOSE FROM THE NORTH AND NORTH-

EASTERN STATES FROM WHICH THE BULK OF THE PRODUCTS COVERED ARE EXPORTED, HAD REPORTEDLY BEEN PRESSING THE FINANCE MINISTER FOR SOME TIME TO TAKE THIS STEP.
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